DATE: December 19, 2002

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Philip R. Day, Jr., Chancellor

Subject: CAPITAL OUTLAY
Authorization to Award Special Services Contracts – Geotechnical Engineering Services
Treadwell & Rollo, Rutherford & Chekene, and Ninyo & Moore
(Resolution No. 021219-B2)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Projects: Chinatown/North Beach Campus Geotechnical Consultant
Community Health & Wellness Center Geotechnical Consultant
Joint Use Facility for Child Development, Health Care Studies, and Teacher Training Geotechnical Consultant

The College used a comprehensive outreach effort to encourage prospective geotechnical engineering firms and sub-consultants to respond to the “Request for Qualifications” for the Geotechnical Consulting Services for the Chinatown/North Beach Campus, Community Health & Wellness Center, and the Joint Use Academic Facility. Nineteen (19) RFQ booklets were issued to respondents. To more completely understand the selection process, interested firms were invited to an informational meeting where the details of the selection process were discussed, including the importance of complying with the College’s new SLBE policy and the related goals for participation. Fifteen (15) individuals attended the informational meeting, and nine (9) geotechnical engineering firms submitted responses to the RFQ. A diverse 3-member selection committee reviewed these nine (9) responses.

Each committee member read all of the responses and rated each submittal according to the same criteria published in the RFQ and reviewed at the informational meeting. These criteria included demonstrated experience with geotechnical evaluations for design and construction of high-rise buildings in San Francisco, including underpinning and shoring, knowledge of geologic hazards and seismic conditions of the Bay Area, and experience with the Division of the State Architect approval process.

Norma Nelson, Contract Compliance Officer, also reviewed the submittals to determine compliance with the College’s stated goals for SLBE participation. Additional points were awarded to the scores of those submittals where the geotechnical consulting firms were certified SLBEs.
After the review of the submittals, all nine (9) firms met the selection criteria and were invited to interview. The selection committee met to establish the questions that would be asked during the interview, and these were reviewed by the Contract Compliance Officer. The questions covered in greater depth the knowledge and experience required of the geotechnical firms.

As stated in the RFQ, the highest ranked firm would be assigned to the Chinatown/North Beach Campus; the second ranked firm to the Community Health & Wellness Center, and the third ranked firm to the Joint Use Academic Facility. After the interviews, the first, second, and third ranked teams were: 1) Treadwell & Rollo, 2) Rutherford & Chekene, and 3) Ninyo & Moore. They were recommended to the Chancellor for the Chinatown/North Beach Campus, Community Health & Wellness Center, and Joint Use Academic Facility projects, respectively.

The services provided by the prime consultant and their sub-consultants may include, but are not limited to: field explorations; laboratory analyses; geologic hazards evaluations; geotechnical investigations, including recommendations for foundation design, shoring, underpinning and dewatering; and construction observation and other services.

Preliminary budgets for these three contracts have been established. However, additional analysis of the proposal and negotiated scope of work and project deliverables is needed to determine the final budget. These contracts for geotechnical consulting services will be paid with funds from Proposition A 2001 General Obligation Bonds.

RECOMMENDATION:

RESOLVED: That authorization be given to contract with Treadwell & Rollo, Rutherford & Chekene, and Ninyo & Moore from January 1, 2003 through September, 2007 for special services and advice to provide the District with geotechnical consulting services, for these three Projects, respectively: Chinatown/North Beach Campus Geotechnical Consultant at a cost not to exceed $210,000.00; Community Health & Wellness Center Geotechnical Consultant at a cost not to exceed $190,000.00; and Joint Use Academic Facility Consultant at a cost not to exceed $190,000.00, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration and/or their designee are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents on behalf of the District to effectuate this resolution.

Peter Goldstein, originator
W/ David Liggett